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## Programme of meetings and agenda

## Official meetings

**Wednesday, 12 February 2014**

### Security Council

10:00 — 7109th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Protection of civilians in armed conflict[1]

   Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2013/689)

   Letter dated 3 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Lithuania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2014/74)

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

**General Assembly**
Sixty-eighth session

The High-level Event on "The Contributions of Women, the Young and Civil Society to the Post-2015 Development Agenda" will be held on Thursday, 6 and Friday, 7 March 2014, at 10:00 and 15:00 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 February 2014, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The list of speakers for the one-day plenary segment is open. To be inscribed on the list, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082).

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## General Assembly

**United Nations Commission on International Trade Law**

**Working Group I (Micro-, Small- and Medium-sized Enterprises)**
Twenty-second session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 (CB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 (CB) |

**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting<br>Executive meeting | Conference Room 10 (CB) |

**United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea**

**Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf**
Thirty-fourth session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 6 (NLB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 6 (NLB) |

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Fifty-second session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | 4th meeting [webcast] | Conference Room 4 (NLB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | 5th meeting [webcast] | Conference Room 4 (NLB) |

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (E/CN.5/2014/2) [item 3]

(a) Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all (E/CN.5/2014/3, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/1, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/2, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/3, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/4, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/5, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/6, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/7, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/8, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/9, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/10, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/11, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/12, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/13, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/14, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/15, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/16, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/17, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/18, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/19, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/20, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/21, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/22, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/23, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/24, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/25, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/26, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/27, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/28, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/29, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/30, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/31, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/32, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/33, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/34, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/35, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/36, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/37, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/38, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/39, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/40, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/41, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/42, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/43, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/44, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/45, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/46, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/47,

E/CN.5/2014/NGO/48, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/49, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/50, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/51, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/52, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/53, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/54, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/55, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/56, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/57, E/CN.5/2014/NGO/58 and E/CN.5/2014/NGO/59)

*General discussion* (continued)

[The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-second session of the Commission will be accessible by *clicking here*.]

[The lists of speakers are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org). Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

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## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Preparation for and observance of the twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family", under agenda item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Mission of Qatar, will take place *today*, 12 February 2014, from 9:30 to 11:30, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002", under item 3 (b) (iv) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Larysa Belskaya (Belarus), will take place *today*, 12 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and mainstreaming disability in the post-2015 development agenda", under item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place *today*, 12 February 2014, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development", under agenda item 3 of the provisional agenda of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the facilitator, Ms. Amina Smaila (Nigeria), will take place *today*, 12 February 2014, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

## Other meetings

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**Wednesday, 12 February 2014**

**Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)**

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2 (CB)

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**Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)**

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room C (CB)

**Group of 77 (on the Commission for Social Development)**

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D (CB)

## Other activities

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**Wednesday, 12 February 2014**

**Special event on "World Interfaith Harmony: Vital for Peace and Development" (on the occasion of the World Interfaith Harmony Week) (co-organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) and the Committee of Religious Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) at the United Nations)**

From 10:00 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Malika Pulatova, UNAOC (e-mail malikap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1751).]

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**Panel discussion on "Recent progress and remaining challenges in ending the recruitment and use of children in armed conflict" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Spain and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict (OSRSG/CAAC))**

At 13:00, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information please contact Mr. Fernando Falcon, OSRSG/CAAC (e-mail falcon@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-8237).]

**Panel discussion on "Cybersecurity issues: protecting data and information and preventing hacking and fraudulent practices" (organized by Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO))**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net; tel. 1 (917) 623-2861).]

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**Panel discussion on "Mainstreaming Youth in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" (theme of the World Conference on Youth 2014, Sri Lanka) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka)**

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jayathma Wickramanayake, Permanent Mission of Sri Lanka (e-mail jayathma@slmission.com; tel. 1 (212) 986-7040).]

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**Briefing on "The findings of the ICPD Beyond 2014 Review" (organized by the United Nations Fund for Population (UNFPA))**

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Petal Thomas, UNFPA (e-mail pthomas@unfpa.org); or Ms. Lily Tong (e-mail tong@unfpa.org).]

## Press conferences

*The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.*

**Wednesday, 12 February 2014**

*Press Briefing Room (S-0237)* [webcast]

10:00 Press conference on the launch of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Beyond 2014 Global Report [*Speakers:* His Excellency Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General; and Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)]

11:00 Press conference by the Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) to present its annual report "Attacks on the Press – 2014 Edition" [*Speakers:* Mr. Joel Simon, Executive Director, CPJ; Ms. Nina Ognianova, Europe and Central Asia Program Coordinator, CPJ; Mr. Mohamed Keita, Africa Advocacy Coordinator, CPJ; Mr. Sherif Mansour, Middle East and North Africa Program Coordinator, CPJ] [sponsored by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

# Forthcoming official meetings

## General Assembly
Sixty-eighth session

For an updated tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary meetings, please *click here*.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–15 September 2014). Meetings will be announced in the Journal when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082).

The agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/68/251 (see A/68/252 for allocation of items). Annotations can be found in documents A/68/100 and A/68/100/Add.1. The revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth session was issued on 24 October 2013 in document A/INF/68/3/Rev.1.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

*Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/68/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

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## General Assembly

**Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People**
Working Group

The Working Group of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold its 3rd meeting (closed) on Thursday, 13 February 2014, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

**Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples**
Organizational meeting

The first organizational meeting of the 2014 session of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will be held on Thursday, 20 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at its organizational meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2014/L.1 and A/AC.109/2014/L.2.

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; room S-3063; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2014.

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**Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations**
2014 substantive session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2014 substantive session from Monday, 24 February, to Friday, 21 March. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria, fax 1 (212) 697-1970) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

*Pre-session documents*

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.2. The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/68/652* and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the site.

*List of participants*

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

*List of speakers*

The list of speakers for the general debate (24-25 February) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (917) 963-5305)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries. In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide at least 30 copies of statements to the secretariat.

*Website*

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers at www.c34.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

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**Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States**

The Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States will meet from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to discuss the objectives and substantive theme of the Conference and organizational and procedural matters, including the rules of procedure, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/238 of 27 December 2013. The annotated provisional agenda of the Preparatory Committee will be issued as document A/CONF.223/PC/1.

As stipulated in General Assembly resolution 67/207 of 21 December 2012, the session is open to all Members States of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies, as well as to other participants, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council; the supplementary arrangements established for the Commission on Sustainable Development by the Economic and Social Council decisions 1993/215 of 12 February 1993 and 1995/201 of 8 February 1995; and as indicated in paragraphs 17 and 18 of the General Assembly resolution 67/207.

Delegations who wish to attend the meeting of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to communicated, *as soon as possible*, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Ms. Maria T. Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; room S-1281; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Additional information on the Preparatory Committee is available from the Conference website: www.sids2014.org.

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**Committee on Contributions**
Seventy-fourth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fourth session at Headquarters from Monday, 2, to Friday, 20 June 2014.

The attention of any Member State intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member State to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 16 May 2014*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member State intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

## Economic and Social Council

Substantive session of 2014

*Operational activities segment (24-26 February 2014)*
*[Item 6 and sub-items (a) and (b) of the provisional agenda]*

The 2014 operational activities segment, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador), will be held from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014.

The first meeting will be held on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

The latest programme of the 2014 operational activities segment as well as the information regarding side events during the segment has been published on the Economic and Social Council website *(click here)*.

*General discussion and list of speakers*

The general discussion on agenda item 6 of the provisional agenda, as contained in document E/2014/1/Rev.1, will be held on Wednesday morning, 26 February. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, in writing, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum, e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close at 17:00 on Tuesday, 25 February. The time limit set for statements under the segment is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

*List of participants*

Delegations are kindly requested to send the names of the representatives and alternates to the operational activities segment of the 2014 session of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2014 session, containing the names of the participants to all segments.

*Statements and PaperSmart arrangements for the 2014 session of the Council*

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**Commission for Social Development**
Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development", under agenda item 2 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Julia Thallinger (Austria), will take place on Thursday, 13 February 2014, from *11:00* to 13:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 18 February, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development", under agenda item 3 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the facilitator, Ms. Amina Smaila (Nigeria), will take place on Thursday, 13 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on draft resolution entitled "Visual health as a tool for the achievement of the empowerment of people", under agenda item 3 (c) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador, will take place on Thursday, 13 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all", under agenda item 3 (a) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place on Thursday, 13 February 2014, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room D (CB); and on Friday, 14 February 2014, from *15:30 to 18:30*, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002", under agenda item 3 (b) (iv) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Larysa Belskaya (Belarus), will take place on Friday, 14 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and mainstreaming disability in the post-2015 development agenda", under agenda item 3 (b) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place on Tuesday, 18 February 2014, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

**Commission on the Status of Women**
Fifty-eighth session

The fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 March 2014. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 10 March, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2014/1 and E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission, including the list of side events, can be found on the following website: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw58-2014.

*Participation and seating arrangements*

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mails duap@un.org and gustafik@un.org; room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in Conference Room 2 (CB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 6 March 2014*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

*List of speakers and general discussion*

The list of speakers for the general discussion will be opened on Tuesday, 18 February 2014. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and the title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are kindly requested to indicate the level of representation when inscribing on the list of speakers.

General discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 10 March, in the morning, following the ceremonial and organizational part and introductory statements, and will continue all day on Tuesday, 11 March; and on Thursday, 13, Monday, 17 and Thursday, 20 March (for more details, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*.

*Statements and PaperSmart arrangements*

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The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

*High-level round table*

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the priority theme "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls", on Monday, 10 March 2014, at 15:00, in two parallel meetings in Conference Room 2 (CB) and in Conference Room 1 (CB). Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and the level of the government-position of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

*Participation of non-governmental organizations*

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted at: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/ngo-participation.

*Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women*

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its fifty-eighth session and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

**Statistical Commission**

*Briefing*

A briefing in preparation for the forty-fifth session of the Statistical Commission will take place on Wednesday, 26 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

*Forty-fifth session*

The forty-fifth session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 4, to Friday, 7 March 2014, in Conference Room 2 (CB). The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2014/1 and E/CN.3/2014/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat *at the earliest convenience* the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org, fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

The session will be PaperSmart. Accordingly, instead of distributing hardcopies of documents in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the PaperSmart Portal. Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the portal. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Victor Leu (e-mails leu@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; room S-3059; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Further information on the session can be obtained on the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

**Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**
Third session

The third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 28 April to Friday, 9 May 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The first meeting of the third session will begin on Monday, 28 April, at 10:00.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs has prepared an information note for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations, contained in document NPT/CONF.2015/PC.III/INF/1.

Further information for participants will be made available, in due course, in the *Journal* and on the website of the third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference (*click here*).

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (at the expert level)**

*Thursday, 13 February 2014,* from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

**Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)**

*Tuesday, 18 February 2014,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

## Forthcoming other activities

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**Special event on "Harnessing the Enduring Power of Radio to Promote Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment" (on the occasion of World Radio Day 2014) (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Department of Public Information (DPI))**

*Thursday, 13 February 2014,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information and for registration, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

**Briefing on "How to better engage with the Human Rights Council and its mechanisms, in particular the Universal Periodic Review" (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))**

*Thursday, 13 February 2014*, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All permanent missions and observer missions are invited to attend. For further information please contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

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**Open Meeting of the Group of Friends of the Alliance of Civilizations (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

*Friday, 14 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1810).]

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**Launch of the *World Youth Report* entitled "Youth and Migration" (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DSPD/DESA))**

*Friday, 14 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:45, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For the media, please register by sending an e-mail to pewitt@un.org. For further information, please contact Mr. Golam Sarwar, DSPD/DESA (e-mail sarwarg@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3203); or *click here*.]

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**Panel discussion on "Palestinian non-violent resistance" and screening of the documentary "5 Broken Cameras" (on the occasion of the International Year of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (A/RES/68/12)) (organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People)**

*Wednesday, 19 February 2014*, at 13:30, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Ruth Valenzuela, Department of Political Affairs, Department of Political Affairs (e-mail valenzuela2@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8231).]

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**Twelfth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

*Friday, 21 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and United Nations staff are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Bela Hovy, Population Division (e-mail migrationp@un.org); or *click here*.]

**Workshop on "Negotiations Training: Leveling the Playing Field" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB); and

*Friday, 21 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Briefing on "Post-2015 Development Agenda Orientation and Briefing Programme" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Panel discussion on "Global Citizenship and the Future of the United Nations" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Malika Pulatova, UNAOC (e-mail malikap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1751).]

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**Women's International Forum: Meeting on "The United Nations Role in the Chemical Weapons Issue in Syria: An Insider's Perspective" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*.]

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**Workshop on "Mainstreaming Education for Democracy" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Monday, 24 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

**Launch of "Kwibuka20" (on the occasion of the twentieth commemoration of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Rwanda and the Department of Public Information (DPI))**

*Thursday, 27 February 2014*, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Jeanne d'Arc Byaje, Permanent Mission of Rwanda (e-mail unkwibuka20@gmail.com; tel. 1 (917) 292-5754).]

## Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

### General Assembly

**Preparatory Committee for the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction**
United Nations Office at Geneva

The Preparatory Committee will hold its first session from Monday, 14 to Tuesday 15, July 2014, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, to review the organizational and substantive preparations for the Conference, approve the programme of work of the Conference, and propose rules of procedure for adoption by the Conference, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to resolution 68/211 of 20 December 2013 (currently available in document A/68/438/Add.3, paragraph 7). Regional groups are invited to nominate two States each for the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee, pursuant to the said resolution. Nominations should be submitted, *in writing*, by each regional group to the Inter-Agency Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) (e-mail palm@un.org) *by Friday, 14 February 2014*. A letter from Ms. Margareta Wahlström, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, dated 2 January 2014, was sent to the Chairs of the regional groups.

## Announcements

**Yearbook of the United Nations**

The sixty-third volume of the *Yearbook of the United Nations*, covering all major areas of United Nations work in 2009, was published last month by the Department of Public Information. A copy for each Permanent Mission is available for pick-up on the ground floor of the North Lawn Building (NLB) (former Conference Room 3).

**Calendar of conferences and meetings**

The 2014 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

**International Law Commission Trust Fund**

Pursuant to paragraph 21 of General Assembly 62/66 resolution, the Secretary-General in 2008 established a Trust Fund to accept voluntary contributions so as eliminate the backlog of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*. Under paragraph 26 of its resolution 68/112, the General Assembly expressed its appreciation to Governments that have made voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund and encouraged further contributions to the Trust Fund. In accordance with the terms of reference of the trust fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. A circular letter has been issued to Governments through their Permanent missions. Should additional information be required on the Trust Fund, please contact Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331).

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**Cancellation of the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2014**

The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean that were scheduled to take place in 2014 have been cancelled due to lack of funding.

For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

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**Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies**

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all states parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of states parties will take place in 2014:

Thirty-third Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (18 February 2014): extraordinary election to replace one member of the Human Rights Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Seventh session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (10-12 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (24 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2014, and extraordinary election to replace one Member of the Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Fifteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (25 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2015 (*click here* for general information); and

Eighteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2014): election to replace

twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities only should be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room S-2906)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; room S-1309)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

For any clarifications on these elections, please see Candiweb, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292). For clarifications regarding the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities *not related to the elections*, please contact DESA.

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**Online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women**

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent Missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For enquiries, please send an e-mail to csw.sideevents@unwomen.org.

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**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, in room DC2-1142, for the month of *February:*

*Security Council Documentation*

*Introduction to United Nations Documents*

*Overview of the Legal Library*

*Researching from United Nations databases: United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet), Official Document System (ODS) and United Nations-Info-Quest (UN-I-QUE)*

*Finding Speeches*

*Country and Map Resources for the United Nations Community*

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing Library Training Calendar (www.un.libcal.com).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

# Summary of official meetings

**Tuesday, 11 February 2014**

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Fifty-second session

[archived video]

2nd meeting

The Chair of the fifty-second session, Ms. Sewa Lamsal Adhikari (Nepal), opened the regular session and made a statement.

The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Carlos García González (El Salvador), and the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs addressed the Commission.

A statement was made by the Permanent Representative of Belgium, Her Excellency Bénédicte Frankinetin, in her capacity as the co-facilitator of the informal consultations of the General Assembly on the further review of the implementation of Assembly resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council.

*Designation of a Rapporteur*

The Commission was informed that the Vice-Chair, Ms. Larysa Belskaya (Belarus), would also serve as Rapporteur for the session.

*Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters* [item 2]

The Commission adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document E/CN.5/2014/1.

Following a statement by the Chair, the Commission approved its organization of work, as contained in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2014/1, as orally revised, and established time-limits for statements in the general discussion.

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly* [item 3]

*(a) Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all*

*(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups*

*(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons*

*(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities*

*(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth*

*(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002*

*(v) Family issues, policies and programmes*

*(c) Emerging issues: the social drivers of sustainable development*

The Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, introduced the documentation under agenda item 3 as a whole.

The Chair of the NGO Committee for Social Development made a statement on the outcome of the Civil Society Forum that was held on Monday, 10 February 2014.

The Commission began its general discussion of sub-item 3 (a) and heard statements by the representatives of Finland, Mongolia, Chile and Belarus.

Statements were also made by the observers for the Plurinational State of Bolivia (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Greece (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Turkey, Montenegro and Serbia; and the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia), Nicaragua and South Africa.

*Organization of work*

The Chair made a statement.

3rd meeting

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all* [item 3 (a)]

The Chair of the Commission opened the panel discussion and made a statement.

The panel discussion was moderated by His Excellency Danilo Türk, former President of the Republic of Slovenia and member of the Club de Madrid.

The panellists were the following: Her Excellency Bakang Mbock, Minister of Social Affairs of Cameroon; Her Excellency Susanna Huovinen, Minister of Health and Social Services of Finland; Mr. Carlos Rafael Urquilla Bonilla, Under-Secretary for Social Inclusion of the Presidency of El Salvador; Professor John Gaventa, Director, Coady International Institute, and Vice-President of International Development, Saint Francis Xavier University, Canada; and Mr. Fabio Palacio, Representative of the NGO Committee for Social Development, representing the International Movement ATD Fourth World.

Following the presentations by the panellists, an interactive discussion ensued, during which interventions were made by the representatives of Romania, the Dominican Republic and El Salvador.

Comments were made and questions were also posed by the observer for Slovenia.

The observer for the European Union also made a comment and posed questions to the panellists.

The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council also made comments and posed questions to the panellists: National Humanitarian Foundation (PKPU), Indonesia; International Federation of Journalists; and International Federation on Ageing.

The panellists and the moderator responded to the comments made and questions raised during the panel discussion.

*Organization of work*

The Chair made a statement.

# Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

*The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.*

**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

*Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002*

*Ratification:* Greece (11 February 2014)

*Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013*

*Ratification:* Panama (11 February 2014)

# General information

**Chairs of the regional groups**

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2014* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*
Guinea
His Excellency Mamadi Touré

*Asia-Pacific States:*
Thailand
His Excellency Norachit Sinhaseni

*Eastern European States:*
Albania
His Excellency Ferit Hoxha

*Latin American and Caribbean States:*
Brazil
His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota

*Western European and other States:*
Norway
His Excellency Geir O. Pedersen

**Security Council**

**Communications to the President of the Security Council**

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed Dpa-Scsb3@un.org; room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call to 1 (212) 963-5258.

**Website of the presidency**

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

**Unscheduled meetings**

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

**Prepared statements**

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room S-0220).

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Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

**Emergency information and updates**

Emergency information and updates can be obtained on the United Nations Headquarters Emergency Information website at delegateinfo.un.int. The website also offers the option of subscription to e-mail alerts. In addition, a hotline number for updates during weather emergencies or other urgent situations can be accessed by calling 1 (212) 963-9800.

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Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the e-subscription page at www.undocs.org. An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

**Touch screen information kiosks**

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations and staff to use the two touch screen information kiosks located in the North Lawn Building to access the official meeting schedule, the *Journal of the United Nations*, the Delegates' Handbook, the Blue Book and the United Nations Staff Yellow Pages, as well as Headquarters and Conference Room Maps. These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

**Websites**

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*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism*
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)*
www.un.org/sc/1540/

*Department of Economic and Social Affairs*
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*Economic and Social Council*
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*Office for Disarmament Affairs*
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*United Nations Treaty Collection*
http://treaties.un.org/

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www.un.org/law/avl/

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*Journal of the United Nations*
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*United Nations Press Releases*
www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp

*United Nations Webcast*
www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html

*Yearbook of the United Nations*
http://unyearbook.un.org

*UN Chronicle*
www.un.org/chronicle

*PaperSmart portal*
www.papersmart.unmeetings.org/

## Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 11 February 2014

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| A/67/49 (Vol. III) | Resolutions and Decisions adopted by the General Assembly during its sixty-seventh session — Volume III — 25 December 2012–16 September 2013 — Supplement No. 49 [A C E F R S] — *196 pages* |
| | **Sixty-eighth session** |
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| A/C.1/68/PV.25 | Meeting held on 5 November 2013 [A C E F R S] — *16 pages* |
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| A/68/700 | Item 151 — Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus — Budget for the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus for the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *30 pages* |
| A/68/736 | Item 95 — Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East — Letter dated 29 January 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages* |
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| S/Agenda/7108 | Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page* |

### Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

S/AC.44/2013/26 Note verbale dated 13 December 2013 from the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee [A C E F R S] — *77 pages*

**Communications to the Editor**

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Lilian Delgado (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-0493; Room CB-0304 (Conference Building)).

The *deadline* to submit material for the *Journal* issue of the next day is *18:30 for the programme of meetings,* and *19:00 for the summaries.* The announcements to be published in the "Forthcoming other activities" section, should be sent before *18:00* at least two days in advance.

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**Thursday, 13 February 2014**

### Security Council

10:00 — 7110th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Burundi

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office in Burundi (S/2014/36)

Morning[1] — 7111th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

   Letter dated 7 February 2014 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2014/87)

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 7110th meeting.

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| Morning[1] | 7112th meeting [webcast] | Security Council Chamber |
| | 1. Adoption of the agenda | |
| | 2. Security Council mission | |
| | Briefing by Security Council mission to Mali (31 January to 3 February 2014) | |
| 15:00 | Consultations of the whole (closed) | Consultations Room |
| | Middle East (Syria) | |
| | Other matters | |

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 7111th meeting of the Security Council.

**Security Council**

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Wednesday, 19 February 2014, in the Security Council Chamber in connection with the agenda item "The promotion and strengthening of the rule of law in the maintenance of international peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by email. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or email, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

**General Assembly**
Sixty-eighth session

A thematic debate on "Water, Sanitation and Sustainable Energy in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" will be held on Tuesday, 18 and Wednesday, 19 February 2014, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 December 2013 and 14 January 2014 were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. More information on the debate can be found by *clicking here*.

**General Assembly**
Sixty-eighth session

The High-level Event on "The Contributions of Women, the Young and Civil Society to the Post-2015 Development Agenda" will be held on Thursday, 6 and Friday, 7 March 2014, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 February 2014, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The list of speakers for the one-day plenary segment is open. To be inscribed on the list, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082).

## General Assembly

**United Nations Commission on International Trade Law**

**Working Group I (Micro-, Small- and Medium-sized Enterprises)**
Twenty-second session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 (CB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 (CB) |

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**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 (CB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 (CB) |

1. Implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors concerning United Nations peacekeeping operations for the financial period ended 30 June 2012
2. Executive meeting

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**United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea**

**Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf**
Thirty-fourth session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 6 (NLB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 6 (NLB) |

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## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Fifty-second session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | 6th meeting [webcast] | Conference Room 4 (NLB) |

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (E/CN.5/2014/2) [item 3]

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups (A/69/61–E/2014/4, E/CN.5/2014/4, E/CN.5/2014/5, E/CN.5/2014/6 and E/CN.5/2014/7)

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

*Presentation by the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission*

*General discussion*

15:00 to 18:00 — 7th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups (A/69/61–E/2014/4)

*Panel discussion in observance of the twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family, 2014*

[The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-second session of the Commission will be accessible by *clicking here*.]

[The lists of speakers are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org). Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the fifty-second session of the Commission. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations. A minimum of 30 copies of the statement should still be provided by delegations to conference services staff in the room.

To consult comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.]

## General Assembly

**Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People**
Working Group

The Working Group of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold its 3rd meeting (closed) *today*, 13 February 2014, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development", under agenda item 2 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Julia Thallinger (Austria), will take place *today*, 13 February 2014, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development", under agenda item 3 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the facilitator, Ms. Amina Smaila (Nigeria), will take place *today*, 13 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on draft resolution entitled "Visual health as a tool for the achievement of the empowerment of people", under agenda item 3 (c) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Permanent Mission of El Salvador, will take place *today*, 13 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 9 (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all", under agenda item 3 (a) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place *today*, 13 February 2014, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room D (CB).

## Other meetings

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**Thursday, 13 February 2014**

**Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (at the expert level)**

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| 11:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room A (CB) |

**African Group (Third Committee experts)**

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| 13:15 to 14:30 | Closed meeting | Conference Room A (CB) |

## Other activities

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**Thursday, 13 February 2014**

**Special event on "Harnessing the Enduring Power of Radio to Promote Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment" (on the occasion of World Radio Day 2014) (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Department of Public Information (DPI))**

*Cancelled.*

[For further information, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

**Briefing on "How to better engage with the Human Rights Council and its mechanisms, in particular the Universal Periodic Review" (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))**

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All permanent missions and observer missions are invited to attend. For further information please contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR New York (e-mail vasic@un.org).]

## Press conferences

*The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.*

**Thursday, 13 February 2014**

*Press Briefing Room (S-0237)* [webcast]

11:00 Press conference on the launch of the 2014 Peace and Cooperation School Award under the slogan "The Family" (sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Spain) [*Speakers:* Ms. Radina Boneva, Representative to the United Nations, Peace and Cooperation; Mr. Joaquín Antuña, President and Founder, Peace and Cooperation; and Ms. Elvira Sánchez, World Association of Early Childhood Educators (AMEI-WAECE)]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

## Forthcoming official meetings

### General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

For an updated tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary meetings, please *click here*.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–15 September 2014). Meetings will be announced in the Journal when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082).

The agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/68/251 (see A/68/252 for allocation of items). Annotations can be found in documents A/68/100 and A/68/100/Add.1. The revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth session was issued on 24 October 2013 in document A/INF/68/3/Rev.1.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

*Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/68/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

## General Assembly

### Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 272nd meeting on Tuesday, 18 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

### Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples

Organizational meeting

The first organizational meeting of the 2014 session of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will be held on Thursday, 20 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at its organizational meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2014/L.1 and A/AC.109/2014/L.2.

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; room S-3063; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2014.

### Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

2014 substantive session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2014 substantive session from Monday, 24 February, to Friday, 21 March. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria, fax 1 (212) 697-1970) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

*Pre-session documents*

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.2. The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/68/652* and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the site.

*List of participants*

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

*List of speakers*

The list of speakers for the general debate (24-25 February) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (917) 963-5305)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries. In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide at least 30 copies of statements to the secretariat.

*Website*

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers at www.c34.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

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**Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States**

The Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States will meet from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to discuss the objectives and substantive theme of the Conference and organizational and procedural matters, including the rules of procedure, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/238 of 27 December 2013. The annotated provisional agenda of the Preparatory Committee will be issued as document A/CONF.223/PC/1. The draft provisional rules of procedure of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States are contained in document A/CONF.223/PC/3.

As stipulated in General Assembly resolution 67/207 of 21 December 2012, the session is open to all Members States of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies, as well as to other participants, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council; the supplementary arrangements established for the Commission on Sustainable Development by the Economic and Social Council decisions 1993/215 of 12 February 1993 and 1995/201 of 8 February 1995; and as indicated in paragraphs 17 and 18 of the General Assembly resolution 67/207.

Delegations who wish to attend the meeting of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Ms. Maria T. Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; room S-1281; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Additional information on the Preparatory Committee is available from the Conference website: www.sids2014.org.

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**Committee on Contributions**
Seventy-fourth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fourth session at Headquarters from Monday, 2, to Friday, 20 June 2014.

The attention of any Member State intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member State to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 16 May 2014*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member State intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

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## International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

**Meeting of States Parties**
Thirty-third meeting

The Thirty-third meeting of States Parties will take place on Tuesday, 18 January 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The purpose of this extraordinary meeting is to conduct a by-election to fill one casual vacancy arising from the resignation of a member of the Human Rights Committee last year. The documents for the Meeting are CCPR/SP/82 and CCPR/SP/83. For the list of candidates and other information, please *click here*.

*Quorum*

Pursuant to article 30, paragraph 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-thirds of the 167 States Parties to the Covenant, that is to say 112 States Parties. In order to avoid the meeting being substantially delayed or postponed for lack of a quorum, representatives of States Parties must be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.

*Credentials*

In accordance with Rule 2 of the Revised Rules of Procedures of the Meeting of the States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. Original copies of the credentials may be brought to the Meeting or sent in advance to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (for the attention of Mr. Nenad Vasić, Room S-1309).

*Additional elections in 2014*

States parties are informed that two further elections will be organized this year: the regular scheduled elections to replace those members of the Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2014; and a further by-election in order to fill the casual vacancy arising from the resignation of a member of the Human Rights Committee in January and whose term expires on 31 December 2016. Both elections will take place during the Thirty-fourth meeting of States Parties on Tuesday, 24 June 2014.

## General Assembly
## Security Council

**Peacebuilding Commission**
Eighth session

**Guinea-Bissau configuration**

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 19 February 2014, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

**Central African Republic Configuration**

An informal meeting of the Central African Republic configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 19 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

## Economic and Social Council
Substantive session of 2014

*Operational activities segment (24-26 February 2014)*
*[Item 6 and sub-items (a) and (b) of the provisional agenda]*

The 2014 operational activities segment, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador), will be held from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014.

The first meeting will be held on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

The latest programme of the 2014 operational activities segment as well as the information regarding side events during the segment has been published on the Economic and Social Council website *(click here)*.

*General discussion and list of speakers*

The general discussion on agenda item 6 of the provisional agenda, as contained in document E/2014/1/Rev.1, will be held on Wednesday morning, 26 February. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, in writing, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum, e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close at 17:00 on Tuesday, 25 February. The time limit set for statements under the segment is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

*List of participants*

Delegations are kindly requested to send the names of the representatives and alternates to the operational activities segment of the 2014 session of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2014 session, containing the names of the participants to all segments.

*Statements and PaperSmart arrangements for the 2014 session of the Council*

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the 2014 session of the Council.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Economic and Social Council PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

A minimum of 30 copies of the statement should be provided by delegations to conference services staff in the chamber.

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**Commission for Social Development**

Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002", under agenda item 3 (b) (iv) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Larysa Belskaya (Belarus), will take place on Friday, 14 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all", under agenda item 3 (a) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place on Friday, 14 February 2014, from 15:30 to 18:30, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development", under agenda item 2 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Julia Thallinger (Austria), will take place on Tuesday, 18 February, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and mainstreaming disability in the post-2015 development agenda", under agenda item 3 (b) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place on Tuesday, 18 February 2014, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

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**Commission on the Status of Women**
Fifty-eighth session

The fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 March 2014. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 10 March, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2014/1 and E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission, including the list of side events, can be found on the following website: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw58-2014.

*Participation and seating arrangements*

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mails duap@un.org and gustafik@un.org; room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in Conference Room 2 (CB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 6 March 2014*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

*List of speakers and general discussion*

The list of speakers for the general discussion will be opened on Tuesday, 18 February 2014. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and the title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are kindly requested to indicate the level of representation when inscribing on the list of speakers.

General discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 10 March, in the morning, following the ceremonial and organizational part and introductory statements, and will continue all day on Tuesday, 11 March; and on Thursday, 13, Monday, 17 and Thursday, 20 March (for more details, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*.

*Statements and PaperSmart arrangements*

A minimum of 30 copies of the statement should be provided by delegations to conference services staff in the room.

Delegates are informed that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

*High-level round table*

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the priority theme "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls", on Monday, 10 March 2014, at 15:00, in two parallel meetings in Conference Room 2 (CB) and in Conference Room 1 (CB). Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and the level of the government-position of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

*Participation of non-governmental organizations*

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted at: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/ngo-participation.

*Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women*

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its fifty-eighth session and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

**Statistical Commission**

*Briefing*

A briefing in preparation for the forty-fifth session of the Statistical Commission will take place on Wednesday, 26 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

*Forty-fifth session*

The forty-fifth session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 4, to Friday, 7 March 2014, in Conference Room 2 (CB). The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2014/1 and E/CN.3/2014/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat *at the earliest convenience* the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org, fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

The session will be PaperSmart. Accordingly, instead of distributing hardcopies of documents in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*). Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the portal. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Victor Leu (e-mails leu@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; room S-3059; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Further information on the session can be obtained on the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

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**Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**
Third session

The third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 28 April to Friday, 9 May 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The first meeting of the third session will begin on Monday, 28 April, at 10:00.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs has prepared an information note for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations, contained in document NPT/CONF.2015/PC.III/INF/1.

Further information for participants will be made available, in due course, in the *Journal* and on the website of the third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference (*click here*).

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)**

*Tuesday, 18 February 2014*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

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**Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

## Forthcoming other activities

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**Open Meeting of the Group of Friends of the Alliance of Civilizations (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

*Friday, 14 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1810).]

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**Launch of the *World Youth Report* entitled "Youth and Migration" (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DSPD/DESA))**

*Friday, 14 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:45, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For the media, please register by sending an e-mail to pewitt@un.org. For further information, please contact Mr. Golam Sarwar, DSPD/DESA (e-mail sarwarg@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3203); or *click here*.]

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**Panel discussion on "Palestinian non-violent resistance" and screening of the documentary "5 Broken Cameras" (on the occasion of the International Year of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (A/RES/68/12)) (organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People)**

*Wednesday, 19 February 2014*, at 13:30, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Ruth Valenzuela, Department of Political Affairs, Department of Political Affairs (e-mail valenzuela2@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8231).]

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**Twelfth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

*Friday, 21 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and United Nations staff are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Bela Hovy, Population Division (e-mail migrationp@un.org); or *click here*.]

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**Workshop on "Negotiations Training: Leveling the Playing Field" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB); and

*Friday, 21 February 2014,* from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Briefing on "Post-2015 Development Agenda Orientation and Briefing Programme" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014,* from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Panel discussion on "Global Citizenship and the Future of the United Nations" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Malika Pulatova, UNAOC (e-mail malikap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1751).]

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**Women's International Forum: Meeting on "The United Nations Role in the Chemical Weapons Issue in Syria: An Insider's Perspective" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014,* from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*.]

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**Workshop on "Mainstreaming Education for Democracy" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Monday, 24 February 2014,* from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Launch of "Kwibuka20" (on the occasion of the twentieth commemoration of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Rwanda and the Department of Public Information (DPI))**

*Thursday, 27 February 2014,* from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Jeanne d'Arc Byaje, Permanent Mission of Rwanda (e-mail unkwibuka20@gmail.com; tel. 1 (917) 292-5754).]

## Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

### General Assembly

**Preparatory Committee for the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction**
United Nations Office at Geneva

The Preparatory Committee will hold its first session from Monday, 14 to Tuesday 15, July 2014, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, to review the organizational and substantive preparations for the Conference, approve the programme of work of the Conference, and propose rules of procedure for adoption by the Conference, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to resolution 68/211 of 20 December 2013 (currently available in document A/68/438/Add.3, paragraph 7). Regional groups are invited to nominate two States each for the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee, pursuant to the said resolution. Nominations should be submitted, *in writing*, by each regional group to the Inter-Agency Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) (e-mail palm@un.org) *by Friday, 14 February 2014*. A letter from Ms. Margareta Wahlström, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, dated 2 January 2014, was sent to the Chairs of the regional groups.

## Announcements

**Yearbook of the United Nations**

The sixty-third volume of the *Yearbook of the United Nations*, covering all major areas of United Nations work in 2009, was published last month by the Department of Public Information. A copy for each Permanent Mission is available for pick-up on the ground floor of the North Lawn Building (NLB) (former Conference Room 3).

**Calendar of conferences and meetings**

The 2014 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

**International Law Commission Trust Fund**

Pursuant to paragraph 21 of General Assembly 62/66 resolution, the Secretary-General in 2008 established a Trust Fund to accept voluntary contributions so as eliminate the backlog of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*. Under paragraph 26 of its resolution 68/112, the General Assembly expressed its appreciation to Governments that have made voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund and encouraged further contributions to the Trust Fund. In accordance with the terms of reference of the trust fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. A circular letter has been issued to Governments through their Permanent missions. Should additional information be required on the Trust Fund, please contact Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331).

**Cancellation of the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2014**

The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean that were scheduled to take place in 2014 have been cancelled due to lack of funding.

For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

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**Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies**

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all states parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of states parties will take place in 2014:

Thirty-third meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (18 February 2014): extraordinary election to replace one member of the Human Rights Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Seventh session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (10-12 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fourth meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (24 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2014, and extraordinary election to replace one Member of the Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Fifteenth meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (25 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2015 (*click here* for general information); and

Eighteenth meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2014): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities only should be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room S-2906)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; room S-1309)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

For any clarifications on these elections, please see Candiweb, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292). For clarifications regarding the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities *not related to the elections*, please contact DESA.

**Online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women**

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent Missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For enquiries, please send an e-mail to csw.sideevents@unwomen.org.

**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, in room DC2-1142, for the month of *February:*

*Security Council Documentation*

*Introduction to United Nations Documents*

*Overview of the Legal Library*

*Researching from United Nations databases: United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet), Official Document System (ODS) and United Nations-Info-Quest (UN-I-QUE)*

*Finding Speeches*

*Country and Map Resources for the United Nations Community*

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing Library Training Calendar (www.un.libcal.com).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

# Summary of official meetings

**Wednesday, 12 February 2014**

## Security Council

[archived video]

7109th meeting

*Protection of civilians in armed conflict*

*Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2013/689)*

*Letter dated 3 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Lithuania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2014/74)*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Afghanistan, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Cuba, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Pakistan, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine and Uruguay, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Navanethem Pillay, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; Ms. Valerie Amos, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator; and Mr. Yves Daccord, Director General, International Committee of the Red Cross, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited His Excellency Ioannis Vrailas, Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and previous practice.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by Ms. Pillay (via video-teleconference from Geneva); Mr. Ladsous; Ms. Amos; and Mr. Daccord (via video-teleconference from Geneva).

Statements were made by the United Kingdom, Australia, the United States, the Russian Federation, Luxembourg, China, Chile, Argentina, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Chad, France, Jordan and Nigeria, as well as by the President, speaking in her capacity as the representative of Lithuania.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Urmas Paet, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Estonia.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Guatemala, Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Croatia,

India, Mexico, Israel, Switzerland (on behalf of the Group of Friends of the protection of civilians in armed conflict, which is comprised of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Liechtenstein, Norway, Portugal, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and Uruguay), Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Egypt, Greece and Austria.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the European Union to the United Nations (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its members States; the candidate country Montenegro; and the country of Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Albania; as well as the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, which aligned themselves with this statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Pakistan, the Syrian Arab Republic, Germany, Thailand, Slovakia, Italy, New Zealand, Uruguay, Georgia, Indonesia, the Netherlands, Kazakhstan, Cuba, Brazil, Botswana, Turkey, Ireland, Ethiopia (in his capacity as Chair of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)), Belgium, Kuwait, Canada, Morocco, Slovenia, Colombia, Afghanistan, Armenia, Japan, Uganda, the Sudan and Ukraine.

The Council heard a statement by the Deputy Permanent Observer of the Observer State of Palestine.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Spain and Azerbaijan.

The representatives of the Russian Federation, Israel, Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan made further statements.

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Fifty-second session

[archived video]

4th meeting

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all* [item 3 (a)]

The Commission continued its general discussion of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Nepal, the Dominican Republic, Pakistan, Nigeria, Ukraine, Japan, Mexico, Egypt and Brazil.

Statements were also made by the observers for Estonia, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Colombia, Italy, Indonesia, Norway, the Syrian Arab Republic, Sweden, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Lesotho, Israel and India.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: Interregional Union of Life Help for Mentally Handicapped Persons (Sail of Hope); and Association of Medical Doctors of Asia.

*Organization of work*

The Chair made a statement.

5th meeting

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all* [item 3 (a)]

The Commission continued its general discussion of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Spain, Cameroon, El Salvador, Romania, the United States, China, Germany, Burkina Faso, the Republic of Korea, Bangladesh, Zimbabwe, Cuba and the Sudan.

Statements were also made by the observers for Kazakhstan, Algeria, Ghana, Zambia, Lithuania, Botswana, Morocco, Turkey and Senegal.

The observer for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta also made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA).

*Organization of work*

The Vice-Chair (Austria) made a statement.

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*Corrigendum* to the summary of the 3rd meeting of the Commission for Social Development (see *Journal* No. 2014/29, p. 21): The seventh paragraph under "Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly: Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all [item 3 (a)]" *should read* as follows:

> The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council also made comments and posed questions to the panellists: Pos Keadilan Peduli Ummat (PKPU); International Federation of Journalists; and International Federation on Ageing.

# Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

*The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.*

**[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]**

*Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in Armed Conflict. New York, 25 May 2000*

*Ratification:* Estonia (12 February 2014)

*Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013*

*Ratification:* Norway (12 February 2014)

*Provisional application under article 23:* Norway (12 February 2014)

# General information

## Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2014* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*
Guinea
His Excellency Mamadi Touré

*Asia-Pacific States:*
Thailand
His Excellency Norachit Sinhaseni

*Eastern European States:*
Albania
His Excellency Ferit Hoxha

*Latin American and Caribbean States:*
Brazil
His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota

*Western European and other States:*
Norway
His Excellency Geir O. Pedersen

## Security Council

### Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed Dpa-Scsb3@un.org; room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call to 1 (212) 963-5258.

### Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

### Unscheduled meetings

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

### Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help

interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room S-0220).

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**Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations***

The *Journal of the United Nations* is issued daily in English and in French. During the main part of the General Assembly session (September to December), it is also issued in Arabic, Chinese, Russian, and Spanish.

Kindly take note that the English and French versions of the *Journal* are accessible to blind and visually impaired users via screen readers.

Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations and staff to use the two touch screen information kiosks located in the North Lawn Building to access the official meeting schedule, the *Journal of the United Nations*, the Delegates' Handbook, the Blue Book and the United Nations Staff Yellow Pages, as well as Headquarters and Conference Room Maps. These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

**Websites**

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*Presidency of the Security Council*
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*Security Council*
www.un.org/en/sc

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism*
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)*
www.un.org/sc/1540/

*Department of Economic and Social Affairs*
www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html

*Economic and Social Council*
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*Office for Disarmament Affairs*
www.un.org/disarmament/

*United Nations Treaty Collection*
http://treaties.un.org/

*United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law*
www.un.org/law/avl/

*Dag Hammarskjöld Library*
www.un.org/depts/dhl/

*International Court of Justice*
www.icj-cij.org/

*Journal of the United Nations*
www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp

*United Nations Press Releases*
www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp

*United Nations Webcast*
www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html

*Yearbook of the United Nations*
http://unyearbook.un.org

*UN Chronicle*
www.un.org/chronicle

*PaperSmart portal*
www.papersmart.unmeetings.org/

## Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Wednesday, 12 February 2014

*With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.*

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| **General Assembly** | **Documents** |
| | **Sixty-eighth session** |
| A/68/616 | Item 160 — Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan — Budget performance of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *63 pages* |
| A/68/716/Add.2 | Item 138 — Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations — Letter dated 10 February 2014 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] — *1 page* |
| A/RES/68/11 | Item 37 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 20 November 2013 — The situation in Afghanistan [A C E F R S] — *21 pages* |
| A/RES/68/139 | Item 28 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Improvement of the situation of women in rural areas [A C E F R S] — *6 pages* |
| A/RES/68/140 | Item 28 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly [A C E F R S] — *8 pages* |

A/RES/68/141 Item 62 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

A/RES/68/143 Item 62 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Assistance to refugees, returnees and displaced persons in Africa [A C E F R S] — *7 pages*

A/RES/68/145 Item 65 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Strengthening collaboration on child protection within the United Nations system [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

A/RES/68/146 Item 65 (a) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — The girl child [A C E F R S] — *13 pages*

A/RES/68/154 Item 68 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — The right of the Palestinian people to self-determination [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

A/RES/68/166 Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

A/RES/68/175 Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Promotion of a democratic and equitable international order [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

A/RES/68/177 Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — The right to food [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

A/RES/68/178 Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

A/RES/68/179 Item 69 (b) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Protection of migrants [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*

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A/RES/68/184 Item 69 (c) — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

A/RES/68/185 Item 108 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 18 December 2013 — Follow-up to the Twelfth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

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**Documents**

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**Communications to the Editor**

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## Official meetings

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**Friday, 14 February 2014**

### Security Council

11:00 — 7112th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and subregional organizations in maintaining international peace and security

   European Union

**General Assembly**
Sixty-eighth session

A thematic debate on "Water, Sanitation and Sustainable Energy in the Post-2015 Development Agenda" will be held on Tuesday, 18 and Wednesday, 19 February 2014, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 December 2013 and 14 January 2014 were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. More information on the debate can be found by *clicking here*.

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**Security Council**

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Wednesday, 19 February 2014, in the Security Council Chamber in connection with the agenda item "The promotion and strengthening of the rule of law in the maintenance of international peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

**General Assembly**
Sixty-eighth session

The High-level Event on "The Contributions of Women, the Young and Civil Society to the Post-2015 Development Agenda" will be held on Thursday, 6 and Friday, 7 March 2014, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 6 February 2014, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The list of speakers for the one-day plenary segment is open. To be inscribed on the list, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082).

## General Assembly

**United Nations Commission on International Trade Law**

**Working Group I (Micro-, Small- and Medium-sized Enterprises)**
Twenty-second session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 (CB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 1 (CB) |

**Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions**

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 (CB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 10 (CB) |

1. Global Field Support Strategy
2. Executive meeting

### United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

**Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf**
Thirty-fourth session

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| 10:00 to 13:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 6 (NLB) |
| 15:00 to 18:00 | Closed meeting | Conference Room 6 (NLB) |

## Security Council

**Military Staff Committee**

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| 11:00 to 13:00 | 1789th meeting (closed) | Conference Room 7 (NLB) |

**Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict**

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| 15:30 to 18:00 | 43rd meeting (closed) | Conference Room 7 (NLB) |

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Fifty-second session

10:00 to 13:00 — 7th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (E/CN.5/2014/2) [item 3]

(c) Emerging issues: the social drivers of sustainable development (E/CN.5/2014/8)

*Keynote address:*

Ms. Amina Mohammed, Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on Post-2015 Development Planning

*Panel discussion on "The social drivers of sustainable development"*

15:00 to 18:00 — 8th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly [item 3]

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups (A/69/61–E/2014/4, E/CN.5/2014/4, E/CN.5/2014/5, E/CN.5/2014/6 and E/CN.5/2014/7)

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities

(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(v) Family issues, policies and programmes

*Panel discussion in observance of the twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family, 2014*

[The list of side events on the occasion of the fifty-second session of the Commission will be accessible by *clicking here*.]

[The lists of speakers are open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, to Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail alejandrino@un.org). Delegations are reminded that, according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

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To consult comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.]

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development", under agenda item 3 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the facilitator, Ms. Amina Smaila (Nigeria), will take place *today*, 14 February 2014, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room S-1523FC.

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002", under agenda item 3 (b) (iv) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Larysa Belskaya (Belarus), will take place *today*, 14 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all", under agenda item 3 (a) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place *today*, 14 February 2014, from 15:30 to 18:30, in Conference Room C (CB).

## Other meetings

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**Friday, 14 February 2014**

**Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)**

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D (CB)

**Group of 77 (on the Commission for Social Development)**

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (CB)

## Other activities

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**Friday, 14 February 2014**

**Open Meeting of the Group of Friends of the Alliance of Civilizations (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

From 10:00 to 13:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pavlyuchenko, UNAOC (e-mail annap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1810).]

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**Launch of the *World Youth Report* entitled "Youth and Migration" (organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DSPD/DESA))**

From 13:15 to 14:45, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For the media, please register by sending an e-mail to pewitt@un.org. For further information, please contact Mr. Golam Sarwar, DSPD/DESA (e-mail sarwarg@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3203); or *click here*.]

## Press conferences

*The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.*

**Friday, 14 February 2014**

*Press Briefing Room (S-0237)* [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

12:30 Ms. Afaf Konja, Spokesperson for the President of the General Assembly (to announce the President's first thematic debate of the year on "Water, Sanitation and Sustainable Energy in the Post-2015 Development Agenda")

# Forthcoming official meetings

## General Assembly

Sixty-eighth session

For an updated tentative schedule of General Assembly plenary meetings, please *click here*.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–15 September 2014). Meetings will be announced in the Journal when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please contact Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; room S-3082).

The agenda of the sixty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/68/251 (see A/68/252 for allocation of items). Annotations can be found in documents A/68/100 and A/68/100/Add.1. The revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-eighth session was issued on 24 October 2013 in document A/INF/68/3/Rev.1.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3872 (room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

*Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/68/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

## General Assembly

**Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization**

The Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization will hold its 272nd meeting on Tuesday, 18 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

**Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples**
Organizational meeting

The first organizational meeting of the 2014 session of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will be held on Thursday, 20 February 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). Documents to be considered by the Special Committee at its organizational meeting are contained in A/AC.109/2014/L.1 and A/AC.109/2014/L.2.

Permanent missions are kindly requested to communicate to Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; room S-3063; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee in 2014.

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**Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations**
2014 substantive session

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will hold its 2014 substantive session from Monday, 24 February, to Friday, 21 March. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 51/136, "those Member States which become personnel contributors to United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chair of the Committee, become members at the following session of the Committee". Member States wishing to submit such a request should address the request in advance of the session to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria (fax 1 (212) 697-1970)) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

States not members of the Special Committee and organizations/entities with observer status in the General Assembly that wish to send observers to this session of the Special Committee should send a request to the Chair of the Special Committee, Her Excellency U. Joy Ogwu (Permanent Mission of Nigeria, fax 1 (212) 697-1970) and are kindly requested to send a copy of any such request to the secretariat (e-mail herity@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

*Pre-session documents*

The provisional agenda of the session is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.1 and the draft programme of work is contained in A/AC.121/2014/L.2. The report of the Secretary-General on the Implementation of the recommendations of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations is contained in document A/68/652* and posted on the website of the Special Committee (www.c34.unlb.org). Other documents of the session will also be posted on the site.

*List of participants*

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Special Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

*List of speakers*

The list of speakers for the general debate (24-25 February) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list should contact the secretariat (Mr. Martin Vrastiak (e-mail vrastiak@un.org; fax 1 (917) 963-5305)). In light of the limited time available, in accordance with past practice, delegations are encouraged to limit their statements to *10 minutes* when speaking in their national capacity and to *20 minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group of countries. In order to facilitate interpretation, delegations are kindly requested to provide at least 30 copies of statements to the secretariat.

*Website*

Background information on the Special Committee is available and accessible to Committee members and observers at www.c34.unlb.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords or inclusion in the Committee mailing list, kindly contact Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

**Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States**

The Preparatory Committee for the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States will meet from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to discuss the objectives and substantive theme of the Conference and organizational and procedural matters, including the rules of procedure, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 68/238 of 27 December 2013. The annotated provisional agenda of the Preparatory Committee will be issued as document A/CONF.223/PC/1. The draft provisional rules of procedure of the third International Conference on Small Island Developing States are contained in document A/CONF.223/PC/3.

As stipulated in General Assembly resolution 67/207 of 21 December 2012, the session is open to all Members States of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies, as well as to other participants, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council; the supplementary arrangements established for the Commission on Sustainable Development by the Economic and Social Council decisions 1993/215 of 12 February 1993 and 1995/201 of 8 February 1995; and as indicated in paragraphs 17 and 18 of the General Assembly resolution 67/207.

Delegations who wish to attend the meeting of the Preparatory Committee are kindly requested to communicate, *as soon as possible*, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Preparatory Committee, Mr. Kenji Nakano (c/o Ms. Maria T. Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; room S-1281; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Additional information on the Preparatory Committee is available from the Conference website: www.sids2014.org.

**Committee on Contributions**
Seventy-fourth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fourth session at Headquarters from Monday, 2, to Friday, 20 June 2014.

The attention of any Member State intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member State to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 16 May 2014*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238. Any Member State intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

## International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

**Meeting of States Parties**
Thirty-third meeting

The Thirty-third meeting of States Parties will take place on Tuesday, 18 January 2014, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB). The purpose of this extraordinary meeting is to conduct a by-election to fill one casual vacancy arising from the resignation of a member of the Human Rights Committee last year. The documents for the Meeting are CCPR/SP/82 and CCPR/SP/83. For the list of candidates and other information, please *click here*.

*Quorum*

Pursuant to article 30, paragraph 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-thirds of the 167 States Parties to the Covenant, that is to say 112 States Parties. In order to avoid the meeting being substantially delayed or postponed for lack of a quorum, representatives of States Parties must be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.

*Credentials*

In accordance with Rule 2 of the Revised Rules of Procedures of the Meeting of the States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. Original copies of the credentials may be brought to the Meeting or sent in advance to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (for the attention of Mr. Nenad Vasić, Room S-1309).

*Additional elections in 2014*

States parties are informed that two further elections will be organized this year: the regular scheduled elections to replace those members of the Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2014; and a further by-election in order to fill the casual vacancy arising from the resignation of a member of the Human Rights Committee in January and whose term expires on 31 December 2016. Both elections will take place during the Thirty-fourth meeting of States Parties on Tuesday, 24 June 2014.

## General Assembly
## Security Council

**Peacebuilding Commission**
Eighth session

**Guinea-Bissau configuration**

An informal meeting of the Guinea-Bissau configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 19 February 2014, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

**Central African Republic Configuration**

An informal meeting of the Central African Republic configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held on Wednesday, 19 February 2014, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

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## Economic and Social Council
Substantive session of 2014

*Operational activities segment (24-26 February 2014)*
*[Item 6 and sub-items (a) and (b) of the provisional agenda]*

The 2014 operational activities segment, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador), will be held from Monday, 24 to Wednesday, 26 February 2014.

The first meeting will be held on Monday, 24 February, at 10:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

The latest programme of the 2014 operational activities segment as well as the information regarding side events during the segment has been published on the Economic and Social Council website *(click here)*.

*General discussion and list of speakers*

The general discussion on agenda item 6 of the provisional agenda, as contained in document E/2014/1/Rev.1, will be held on Wednesday morning, 26 February. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, in writing, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Council (Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum, e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will close at 17:00 on Tuesday, 25 February. The time limit set for statements under the segment is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

*List of participants*

Delegations are kindly requested to send the names of the representatives and alternates to the operational activities segment of the 2014 session of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Jennifer de Laurentis (c/o Ms. Jacqueline Aidenbaum (e-mail aidenbaum@un.org, room S-1271; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbale will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2014 session, containing the names of the participants to all segments.

*Statements and PaperSmart arrangements for the 2014 session of the Council*

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A minimum of 30 copies of the statement should be provided by delegations to conference services staff in the chamber.

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**Commission for Social Development**
Informal consultations

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development", under agenda item 2 of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Vice-Chair, Ms. Julia Thallinger (Austria), will take place on Tuesday, 18 February, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution entitled "Further promotion of equalization of opportunities by, for and with persons with disabilities and mainstreaming disability in the post-2015 development agenda", under agenda item 3 (b) of the fifty-second session of the Commission, convened by the Chair, will take place on Tuesday, 18 February 2014, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8 (NLB).

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**Commission on the Status of Women**
Fifty-eighth session

The fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held from Monday, 10, to Friday, 21 March 2014. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 10 March, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.6/2014/1 and E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1, respectively.

Additional information on the work of the Commission, including the list of side events, can be found on the following website: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw58-2014.

*Participation and seating arrangements*

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate, are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik, of the composition of their delegations (c/o Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mails duap@un.org and gustafik@un.org; room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers in Conference Room 2 (CB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat *by Thursday, 6 March 2014*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

*List of speakers and general discussion*

The list of speakers for the general discussion will be opened on Tuesday, 18 February 2014. Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and the title of the speaker, to the secretariat of the Commission (Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are kindly requested to indicate the level of representation when inscribing on the list of speakers.

General discussion of agenda item 3 (Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century") will begin on Monday, 10 March, in the morning, following the ceremonial and organizational part and introductory statements, and will continue all day on Tuesday, 11 March; and on Thursday, 13, Monday, 17 and Thursday, 20 March (for more details, please consult the organization of work (E/CN.6/2014/1/Add.1)).

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with the past practice, statements made by individual delegations should not exceed *five minutes*, and statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*.

*Statements and PaperSmart arrangements*

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The statements will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

*High-level round table*

The Commission will hold a high-level round table on the priority theme "Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls", on Monday, 10 March 2014, at 15:00, in two parallel meetings in Conference Room 2 (CB) and in Conference Room 1 (CB). Delegations are kindly requested to communicate the name and the level of the government-position of the senior official expected to participate in the high-level round table to the Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; room S-1284; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

*Participation of non-governmental organizations*

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission has been posted at: www.unwomen.org/en/csw/ngo-participation.

*Reports of relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women*

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its fifty-eighth session and can be accessed by *clicking here*.

**Statistical Commission**

*Briefing*

A briefing in preparation for the forty-fifth session of the Statistical Commission will take place on Wednesday, 26 February 2014, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

*Forty-fifth session*

The forty-fifth session of the Statistical Commission will be held from Tuesday, 4, to Friday, 7 March 2014, in Conference Room 2 (CB). The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in documents E/CN.3/2014/1 and E/CN.3/2014/L.1, respectively.

Representatives of States members of the Commission, who are entitled to travel expenses coverage by the United Nations, are requested to kindly complete and submit to the secretariat *at the earliest convenience* the forms distributed in this regard. For this purpose, please contact Ms. Li Wang (e-mail wangl@un.org, fax 1 (212) 963-4569).

The session will be PaperSmart. Accordingly, instead of distributing hardcopies of documents in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the PaperSmart Portal (*click here*). Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the portal. In addition, a print-on-demand service will be made available to delegations, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room.

Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Jullyette Ukabiala (c/o Victor Leu (e-mails leu@un.org and ukabiala@un.org; room S-3059; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Further information on the session can be obtained on the website of the Commission (*click here*); or by contacting Ms. Sabine Warschburger, Statistics Division (e-mail warschburger@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4297).

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**Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons**
Third session

The third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) will be held from Monday, 28 April to Friday, 9 May 2014, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The first meeting of the third session will begin on Monday, 28 April, at 10:00.

The United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs has prepared an information note for States parties, observer States and intergovernmental organizations, contained in document NPT/CONF.2015/PC.III/INF/1.

Further information for participants will be made available, in due course, in the *Journal* and on the website of the third session of the Preparatory Committee for the 2015 NPT Review Conference (*click here*).

## Forthcoming other meetings

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**Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)**

*Tuesday, 18 February 2014*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

**Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

## Forthcoming other activities

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**Panel discussion on "Palestinian non-violent resistance" and screening of the documentary "5 Broken Cameras" (on the occasion of the International Year of Solidarity with the Palestinian People (A/RES/68/12)) (organized by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People)**

*Wednesday, 19 February 2014*, at 13:30, in Conference Room 1 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Ruth Valenzuela, Department of Political Affairs, Department of Political Affairs (e-mail valenzuela2@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8231).]

**Twelfth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

*Friday, 21 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[Members of permanent missions and United Nations staff are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Bela Hovy, Population Division (e-mail migrationp@un.org); or *click here*.]

**Workshop on "Multilateral Negotiations Training: Orientation on Population and Development" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB); and

*Friday, 21 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Briefing on "Post-2015 Development Agenda Orientation and Briefing Programme" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration please, *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

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**Panel discussion on "Global Citizenship and the Future of the United Nations" (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Malika Pulatova, UNAOC (e-mail malikap@unops.org; tel. 1 (212) 457-1751).]

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**Panel discussion on "Inclusive growth and decent work: Realizing social justice" (on the occasion of the World Day for Social Justice (A/RES/62/10)) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kyrgyzstan and the International Labour Organization (ILO))**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Kevin Cassidy, ILO (e-mail cassidy@ilo.org; tel. 1 (212) 697-0150).]

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**Women's International Forum: Meeting on "The United Nations Role in the Chemical Weapons Issue in Syria: An Insider's Perspective" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)**

*Thursday, 20 February 2014*, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please *click here*.]

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**Workshop on "Mainstreaming Education for Democracy" (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))**

*Monday, 24 February 2014*, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

**Launch of the Report on Preparedness Financing of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) and Overseas Development Institute (ODI) (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), in collaboration with the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC))**

*Thursday, 27 February 2014,* from 13:15 to 14:30, Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information please contact the FAO Liaison Office with the United Nations (e-mail lon-registry@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6036); or Mr. Fabio Fukuda, FAO (e-mail fukudaf@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0986).]

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**International conference entitled "Taras Shevchenko: Champion of Ukrainian Language, Self-Determination of Peoples, Human Rights and Social Justice" (in commemoration of the International Mother Language Day (A/RES/56/262)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine)**

*Thursday, 27 February 2014,* from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Alex Shapoval, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail shapovalalex85@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).]

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**Launch of "Kwibuka20" (on the occasion of the twentieth commemoration of the genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Rwanda and the Department of Public Information (DPI))**

*Thursday, 27 February 2014,* from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 2 (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact Ms. Jeanne d'Arc Byaje, Permanent Mission of Rwanda (e-mail unkwibuka20@gmail.com; tel. 1 (917) 292-5754).]

## Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

### General Assembly

**Preparatory Committee for the Third World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction**
United Nations Office at Geneva

The Preparatory Committee will hold its first session from Monday, 14 to Tuesday 15, July 2014, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva, to review the organizational and substantive preparations for the Conference, approve the programme of work of the Conference, and propose rules of procedure for adoption by the Conference, and to elect the Bureau, pursuant to resolution 68/211 of 20 December 2013 (currently available in document A/68/438/Add.3, paragraph 7). Regional groups are invited to nominate two States each for the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee, pursuant to the said resolution. Nominations should be submitted, *in writing,* by each regional group to the Inter-Agency Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) (e-mail palm@un.org) by *today,* 14 February 2014. A letter from Ms. Margareta Wahlström, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction, dated 2 January 2014, was sent to the Chairs of the regional groups.

## Announcements

### Yearbook of the United Nations

The sixty-third volume of the *Yearbook of the United Nations*, covering all major areas of United Nations work in 2009, was published last month by the Department of Public Information. A copy for each Permanent Mission is available for pick-up on the ground floor of the North Lawn Building (NLB) (former Conference Room 3).

### Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2014 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

### International Law Commission Trust Fund

Pursuant to paragraph 21 of General Assembly 62/66 resolution, the Secretary-General in 2008 established a Trust Fund to accept voluntary contributions so as eliminate the backlog of the *Yearbook of the International Law Commission*. Under paragraph 26 of its resolution 68/112, the General Assembly expressed its appreciation to Governments that have made voluntary contributions to the Trust Fund and encouraged further contributions to the Trust Fund. In accordance with the terms of reference of the trust fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. A circular letter has been issued to Governments through their Permanent missions. Should additional information be required on the Trust Fund, please contact Ms. Marianne Sooksatan (e-mail sooksatan@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331).

### Cancellation of the United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean, 2014

The United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Asia-Pacific and for Latin America and the Caribbean that were scheduled to take place in 2014 have been cancelled due to lack of funding.

For additional information or inquiries, please contact Ms. Virginia Morris, Principal Legal Officer, Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

### Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all states parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of states parties will take place in 2014:

Thirty-third meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (18 February 2014): extraordinary election to replace one member of the Human Rights Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Seventh session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (10-12 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fourth meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (24 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2014, and extraordinary election to replace one Member of the Committee who resigned (*click here* for general information);

Fifteenth meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (25 June 2014): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2015 (*click here* for general information); and

Eighteenth meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2014): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2014 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities only should be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn: Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; room S-2906)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; room S-1309)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

For any clarifications on these elections, please see Candiweb, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292). For clarifications regarding the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities *not related to the elections*, please contact DESA.

**Online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women**

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) is pleased to announce that the online reservation system for side events for the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women is open. Permanent Missions and United Nations entities may access the system by *clicking here*. For enquiries, please send an e-mail to csw.sideevents@unwomen.org.

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**Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions**

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, in room DC2-1142, for the month of *February:*

*Security Council Documentation*

*Introduction to United Nations Documents*

*Overview of the Legal Library*

*Researching from United Nations databases: United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet), Official Document System (ODS) and United Nations-Info-Quest (UN-I-QUE)*

*Finding Speeches*

*Country and Map Resources for the United Nations Community*

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing Library Training Calendar (www.un.libcal.com).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

# Summary of official meetings

**Thursday, 13 February 2014**

## Security Council

[archived video]

7110th meeting *The situation in Burundi*

*Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Office in Burundi (S/2014/36)*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Burundi to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2014/96, submitted by France and Nigeria.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2014/96) before it.

*Decision: The draft resolution (S/2014/96) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2137 (2014).*

After the vote, a statement was made by the representative of the United States.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Burundi.

7111th meeting

*Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan*

*Letter dated 7 February 2014 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1591 (2005) concerning the Sudan addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2014/87)*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Sudan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2014/93, submitted by the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2014/93) before it.

*Decision: The draft resolution (S/2014/93) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2138 (2014).*

After the vote, the Council heard a statement by the representative of the Sudan.

## Economic and Social Council

**Commission for Social Development**
Fifty-second session

[archived video]

6th meeting

*Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly* [item 3]

*(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups*

*(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disable Persons*

*(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities*

*(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth*

*(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002*

*(v) Family issues, policies and programmes*

The Commission resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The Commission heard a presentation by Mr. Shuaib Chalklen, Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development.

The Commission engaged in an interactive dialogue with the Special Rapporteur, during which comments were made and questions were posed by the observer for the European Union.

The Special Rapporteur responded to the questions.

The Commission began its general discussion of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Kuwait, the Russian Federation, Austria, Mongolia, Brazil, Argentina, Zimbabwe, Ukraine, El Salvador, China, Romania and the Republic of Korea.

Statements were also made by the observers for Greece (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Turkey, Montenegro and Serbia; and the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania and Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia), South Africa, Qatar, Sweden, Thailand, Belgium, Malta, Slovenia and Bulgaria.

Statements were also made by the representative of the International Federation of Associations of the Elderly, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

*Organization of work*

The Chair made a statement.

# General information

**Chairs of the regional groups**

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *February 2014* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

*African States:*
Guinea
His Excellency Mamadi Touré

*Asia-Pacific States:*
Thailand
His Excellency Norachit Sinhaseni

*Eastern European States:*
Albania
His Excellency Ferit Hoxha

*Latin American and Caribbean States:*
Brazil
His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota

*Western European and other States:*
Norway
His Excellency Geir O. Pedersen

## Security Council

### Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed Dpa-Scsb3@un.org; room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call to 1 (212) 963-5258.

### Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

### Unscheduled meetings

Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

### Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room S-0220).

## Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations*

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**Touch screen information kiosks**

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) invites delegations and staff to use the two touch screen information kiosks located in the North Lawn Building to access the official meeting schedule, the *Journal of the United Nations*, the Delegates' Handbook, the Blue Book and the United Nations Staff Yellow Pages, as well as Headquarters and Conference Room Maps. These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to dgacm-feedback@un.org.

**Websites**

*Department for General Assembly and Conference Management*
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*Presidency of the Security Council*
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*Security Council*
www.un.org/en/sc

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism*
www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/

*Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)*
www.un.org/sc/1540

*Department of Economic and Social Affairs*
www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html

*Economic and Social Council*
www.un.org/en/ecosoc/

*Office for Disarmament Affairs*
www.un.org/disarmament/

*United Nations Treaty Collection*
http://treaties.un.org/

*United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law*
www.un.org/law/avl/

*Dag Hammarskjöld Library*
www.un.org/depts/dhl/

*International Court of Justice*
www.icj-cij.org/

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| A/68/741 | Items 76 (a) and 85 — Oceans and the law of the sea — The rule of law at the national and international levels — Letter dated 20 January 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *1 page* |
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S/2014/86 Identical letters dated 7 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

S/2014/88 Identical letters dated 8 February 2014 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

S/2014/90 Letter dated 10 February 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/Agenda/7109 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

## Economic and Social Council

### Documents

**Commission on Population and Development**
**Forty-seventh session**

E/CN.9/2014/5 Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population — Programme implementation and progress of work in the field of population in 2013: Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *21 pages*

**United Nations Children's Fund**
**Executive Board**

E/ICEF/2014/4 Compendium of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its first regular session of 2014 [E F S (only)] — *5 pages*

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